

REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PROGRAM BETWEEN THE JPO AND THE USPTO

Application No.:	10/582,332	First Named Inventor:	Norio KURITA et al.
Filing Date:	April 2, 2007	Attorney Docket No.:	46884-5483
Title of the invention:	LASER PROCESSING DEVICE		

THIS REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PPH PROGRAM ALONG WITH THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA EFS-WEB. INFORMATION REGARDING EFS-WEB IS AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://WWW.USPTO.GOV/EBS/EF_HELP.HTML](http://www.uspto.gov/ebs/efs_help.html).

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PROGRAM.

The above-identified application (1) validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more corresponding JPO application(s) or to a PCT application that does not contain any priority claim, or (2) is a national stage entry of a PCT application that does not contain any priority claim.

The JPO/PCT application number(s) is/are: JP P2003-415142/ PCT/JP2004/018157

The filing date of the JPO/PCT application(s) is/are: December 12, 2003/December 6, 2004

I. List of Required Documents:

- a. A copy of the latest JPO office actions (other than "Decision to Grant a Patent"*) in the above-identified JPO application(s)

☒ is attached.

☐ is not attached because the JPO application was allowed in a first office action.

*It is not necessary to submit a copy of the "Decision to Grant a Patent" and an English translation thereof.

- b. A copy of all claims which were determined to be patentable by the JPO in the above-identified JPO application(s)

☒ is attached.

- c. English translations of the documents in a. and b. above along with a statement that the English translations are accurate are attached (if the documents are not in the English language).

- d. (1) An information disclosure statement listing the documents cited in the JPO office actions

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☒ has already been filed in the above-identified U.S. application on June 9, 2006

(2) Copies of all documents (except for U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications)

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II. Claims Correspondence Table:

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III. All the claims in the US application sufficiently correspond to the patentable/allowable claims in the JPO application.

IV. Payment of Fees:

The petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) as required by 37 CFR 1.102(d) must be paid via EFS-Web (using credit card, authorization to charge a deposit account, or electronic funds transfer).

Signature

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